

CITY OF BURIEN, WASHINGTON

Arts Commission MEETING MINUTES

Date: November 27, 2007

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Arts Commission Members Present:

Shelley Brittingham
Paul Conrath
Donna DiFiore
Rochelle Flynn

Victoria Hall
Laurie Haslund
Maureen Hoffmann
Dane Johnson

Kathy Justin
David Ketcherside
June Yormark

Staff Present

Debbie Zemke, Recreation Manager
Al Parisi, Cultural Arts Supervisor

Guest:

Randy Lacey

Call to Order

Rochelle called the meeting to order.

Corrections for the October meeting were submitted by Arts Commission. There was a motion to accept the October minutes as corrected. The motion was accepted and the minutes were approved.

2088 Arts and Culture Fund Recommendations

There were 11 applicants who applied. David gave a review of how much money the organizations requested and appreciated the new scoring sheet which helped in assessing the applications. Eight organizations were recommended for funding. Rochelle made a motion to accept the panel's Arts and Culture Fund recommendation. Motion passed

Rochelle reported that both she and Shelly met with the Mayor and City Manager to learn what the desired process for requesting additional Arts and Culture funding should be in 2008, since the Council voted not support the Commission's recommendation. In 2008, the same \$15,000 total is budgeted. Rochelle said that the Mayor expressed support and a wish to be proactive with the arts. She said that City Manager is in the process of revamping the budget and revising the procedure by which city departments ask for increases. Rochelle said that it will be good to have clear concise processes so that the Commission knows what it needs to do for an increase request. The City Manager also said that the request would have been looked at more favorably if it was a fixed amount as opposed to the percentage increase.

2008 Work Plan Draft

Debbie asked about who has an interest in being a lead or member of work committees.

New projects include: Burien Beatwalk, Burien's aesthetic master plan, Burien Arts Website. Laurie gave an overview of Beatwalk at the last meeting. Rochelle asked for questions. Paul's holiday lights proposal will be discussed at the next meeting. Donna would like to see how to reflect diversity issue into work plan. Rochelle said that the next meeting will be at the end of January. The Arts Summit will be held in early January or mid February. Laurie is interested in participating in music programming. Rochelle is interested in helping with the Arts Summit as well as literary and performing arts. Donna and Maureen would like to participate in selection for Arts and Culture Fund. Victoria will help with the Beatwalk, the esthetic master plan, arts education and the Art Walk. In regards to the esthetic master plan, the city should consider looking towards arts commissioners for recommendations. Maureen would like to go to planning meetings. Maureen talked about having a city sponsored art website. Who would be the one to get the website going? National Dance week celebration was added to menu. Planning will be in 2008 and the event will happen in 2009. Rochelle said that you do not have to be on the arts commission to help on any of the work plan committees. She also noted that elections to select a chair and vice chair of the arts commission will be held in February.

Public Art:

On behalf of Paul, Dane passed out the drawing for the business mural that's being requested by the business owner on 153rd Street. Dane asked for input. He asked that if the business ceased to exist, if the piece would stand on its own. He said that the business owner is looking for a decision tonight; however, due to all committee members not receiving info prior to the mtg, he clarified that a decision tonight wouldn't be appropriate. Debbie said that she'll contact Paul to find out the status and will pass on the consensus of the Public Art committee to the Community Development Department.

Literary Arts:

Surveys are not back yet so there is not much to report. The committee will meet in December to review programs and bring to next meeting.

Dave moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved and the meeting was adjourned